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Applicant: AZUMA et al. Conf.: 7730

Appl. No.: 09/743,750 Group: 1645

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For: FORMULATIONS USEFUL FOR IMMUNOTHERAPY

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Transmitted herewith is a Reply to Restriction/Election Requirement in the above-identified application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated October 2, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-11 and 13-25 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-3 and 5, drawn to a lyophilized formulation obtainable by lyophilization of an oil-in-water

emulsion comprising a bacterial component, an oil, an surfactant and a stabilizer as well as an amino acid or urea;

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Group II, claims 6-8 and 10, drawn to a method of making the lyophilized formulation;

Group III, claims 11 and 13-20, drawn to making the oil-in-water emulsion; and

Group IV, claims 21-25, drawn to an oil-in-water emulsion.

For the purpose of examination of the present application,
Applicants elect, with traverse, Group IV, claims 21-25.

CONCLUSION

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John W. Bailey (Reg. No. 32,881) at the telephone number below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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